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## **REMARKS**

### **I. Petition for Extension of Time**

Applicants herewith petition the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for response to the Office action mailed November 2, 2005 for three months from February 2, 2006 to May 2, 2006. Authorization is given to charge the extension of time fee of \$1,020.00 (37 C.F.R. §§1.136 and 1.17) to Deposit Account No. 23-1703. Any deficiency or overpayment should be charged or credited to the above numbered deposit account.

### **II. Claim Amendments**

The claims have been amended to more clearly define the claimed invention and to place the claims in proper U.S. claim form. Claims 18 and 20 have been canceled. New claims 21-24 are derived from embodiments that were deleted from original claims 4, 5 and 7. Upon entry of this Amendment, claims 1-17, 19 and 21-24 are pending.

At page 2 of the Office Action, the Examiner states that: (a) claim 2 is objected to; (b) claims 4, 5, 7 and 20 are rejected; and (c) claims 1, 3, 6 and 8-19 are allowable. Applicants have made a good faith attempt to overcome the claim objection and rejections by the claim amendments herein.

It is submitted that no new matter has been introduced by any of the claim amendments.

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**CONCLUSION**

The Assistant Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 23-1703 in the event that any fee is required in connection with this communication.

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